

Annual Water District Meeting Checklist

Water district annual meetings must address certain topics. The checklist below will help ensure each water district is addressing the necessary topics during the annual meeting. Please return this completed checklist to the appropriate IDWR regional office along with the adopted budget, resolutions, and annual meeting minutes.

Water District Number and Name:

Water District 32D - Birch Creek

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Department of Water Resources
Eastern Region

Meeting Date, Time and Location:

10:00am March 7, 2023 Clark County Annex Bldg. Dubois Id.

- ☒ Election of meeting chairman and secretary (*chairman facilitates meeting and secretary must record meeting minutes and submit to IDWR within 5 business days following the meeting*)
- ☒ Read and approve previous year annual meeting minutes
- ☒ Watermaster report and presentation of proposed budget
- ☒ Treasurer financial report
- ☒ Adopt budget (*must be submitted to IDWR immediately following the meeting*)
- ☒ Elect watermaster*
- ☒ Elect assistant watermaster(s)* (optional)
- ☒ Elect water district treasurer* Secretary
- ☒ Select an advisory committee (optional)
- ☒ Adopt resolutions (*must be submitted to IDWR immediately following the meeting*)
- ☒ Determine next year's meeting date, time and location

Date 03/05/24 Time 10:00am Location Clark County Annex Bldg. Dubois Idaho.

* An oath is required before the first year of service.

By signing below I verify that all required actions have been addressed at the water district annual meeting.

Completed by:

Laurie Small / secretary
Water District Representative / Title

03/17/23
Date

ANNUAL WATER USERS MEETING
BIRCH CREEK WATER DISTRICT #32D

The Birch Creek Water District 32-D Water Users meeting was held March 7, 2023, 10:00 a.m. at the Clark County Annex Building, Dubois Idaho.

Andy Wagoner called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

Those attending were Andy Wagoner, Heath Wagoner, Lane Newman, James Palmer, Greg Shenton (Watermaster), Brett Murdock (Deputy Watermaster), and Laurie Small (secretary).

Minutes were read individually. **Lane Newman made a motion to accept the previous year's minutes. James Palmer seconded the motion. Motion passed.**

NOMINATIONS FOR CHAIRMAN & SECRETARY

Mr. Wagoner asked for nominations for chairman and secretary. **Lane Newman moved to have Andy Wagoner as chairman and Laurie Small as secretary. James Palmer seconded the motion. Nominations passed.**

APPOINTMENT OF CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE

Chairman, Andy Wagoner, waived appointing a credentials committee at this time. If one is needed, they can be appointed at that time.

WATERMASTER'S REPORT

Mr. Shenton presented the Watermaster's report for the year 2022. The 2022 diverted flows totaled 16,924 A.F., up 1,757 A.F. from 2021 flows. A chart with the yearly delivery in acre feet for the last 15 years was included in the report. Measurements of stream bed losses taken by contract with U.S.G.S between the reaches of Blue Dome to the Birch Creek Power Hydro Pond were included in the report. The weir on both ends of this reach gives the Watermaster a very accurate measurement of the total reach if the weirs are properly maintained along with annual silt removal. The advantage of a weir is the fact that at any time you read it you get accurate and immediate flows. Mr. Shenton expressed his appreciation and how well the cat walks are working that James Palmer put in.

Snow course measurements were 115% of average at Meadow Lake with 52" of depth and 13.3" water content, 124% of average at Beagle Springs with 39" of depth and 8.9" water content, 146% of average at Haun with 34" of depth and 7" water content and 109% of average at spring Mountain with 47" of depth 12.4" water content. Snow measurements were taken on February 28, 2023. Twenty-two-year water content averages are 4.54" at Haun and 10.55" at

Spring Canyon. Thirty-year water content averages are 6.3" at Beagle Springs and 11.3" at Meadow Lake. Snotel was at 120% the day of the meeting.

Cloud seeding continues with both the remote and manual generators. There are 25 manual and 25 remote generators in the area. Cloud seeding was up 300 additional hours run from 2022. Manual generators have run 1133 hours so far this season and will continue through the middle of April.

The Watermaster reported \$230.00 remains in the district's checking account.

Mr. Shenton reviewed the 2022 budget and proposed 2023 budget.

PROPOSED AND ADOPTED BUDGET FOR 2023

	Proposed	Adopted
Watermaster Salary, Mileage & Other	\$7,100.00	\$7,100.00
Secretary Salary	\$300.00	\$300.00
Snow Survey	\$600.00	\$600.00
USGS Measurements	\$800.00	\$800.00
Total Budget	\$8,800.00	\$8,800.00

Lane Newman made a motion to accept the Watermaster's Report. James Palmer seconded the motion. Motion passed.

Lane Newman made a motion to approve the proposed budget. James Palmer seconded. Motion passed.

NOMINATION FOR WATERMASTER

James Palmer made the motion to have Greg Shenton continue as Watermaster and Brett Murdock as Deputy Watermaster. Lane Newman seconded the motion. Motion Passed

Lane Newman made a motion that the Water District adopts the following resolutions.

RESOLUTIONS

COLLECTION OF WATER ASSESSMENT

No ditch, canal, or other water user shall have the right to demand and receive water until full payment due is paid. Payment shall become due April 15, and shall become delinquent May 15, and if not paid by May 15, the payment shall bear interest from April 15, at the rate of eight percent (8%) per annum.

The Watermaster shall not deliver any water until full payment due is paid.

WATERMASTER TERM OF SERVICE

The Watermaster shall be elected for a term of one full year. The purpose is so the Watermaster can serve in the legal capacity to do official business for the district in the event of emergencies, legislative actions, hearings, disputes, or other water related or job-related activities. The Watermaster cannot be required to make deliveries before April 1, or after November 1, (the normal irrigation season) unless an emergency exists. The Watermaster shall not be paid before April 15, or after November 1, from the Water District Budgeted regular funds.

HEADGATES & WEIRS

All control devices and measuring devices shall be in good working order before water can be demanded or delivered. The Watermaster shall not deliver any water unless such devices are in good working order.

USGS MEASUREMENTS

Two USGS measurements will be done each year.

WATER DELIVERY

Allow Brandie Terry and Mrs. Sorenson to receive water for their lawns, with no daily records required, no cost to them until any future changes are made.

James Palmer seconded the motion. All resolutions passed.

APPOINTMENT OF ADVISORY BOARD

Chairman, Andy Wagoner, appointed the following to serve on the advisory board this year. Lewis Newman, Lane Newman, Heath Wagoner and James Palmer (representing Ted Sorenson).

OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Newman informed the waterusers of the continuing struggle with the East Idaho Water Rights Coalition. There is not an agreement in place at this time and the previous year's agreement will be followed until an agreement can be made.

Mr. Newman requested that Mr. Shenton let the waterusers know of anything to keep the Birch Creek Water District 32D out of the regulations and keep them unaffiliated.

It was noted that the Idaho Falls IDWR Office has been very good to work with.

IDWR REPORT

No one was in attendance from the IDWR

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MEETING TIME

Andy Wagoner asked for suggested dates for the next meeting. Lane Newman moved that the next year's annual water meeting be held Tuesday March 5, 2024, 10:00 p.m. at the Clark County Annex Building. James Palmer seconded the motion. Motion passed.

James Palmer moved to adjourn. Lane Newman seconded. The meeting adjourned at 10:45 p.m.



Andy Wagoner, Chairman



Laurie Small, Secretary

ROSTER OF ATTENDANCE

20 23 ANNUAL MEETING

WATER DISTRICT NO. 32D)

WATER DISTRICT AREA Birch Creek)

ANNUAL MEETING

Date 03/07/2023 Time 10:00 am/pm

Location _____

Address _____

NAME

ADDRESS

REPRESENTING

Lane Newman 2990 N 800 E Montevideo ID 834135 L2+L3 Partnership

HEATH WAGONER Wagoner Ranches LLC.

James Palmer Birch Creek Ranches